## Eastern Shawnee Tribe's Education Guidelines Effective for Fall 2014-Summer 2015

PLEASE NOTE HIGHLIGHTED AREAS FOR CHANGES IN GUIDELINES

Tribal members receiving benefits have a responsibility to review the guidelines. Students are responsible for submitting required documents.

Prior to approving Scholarship Funding, the Education Department must have received the following:

- 1.) Completed 2014-2015 application Must be completed for each term attended and signed by applicant.
- 2.) Degree plan-Must be completed by advisor and signed by advisor. General Studies Degree Plan is only acceptable for first 60 credit hours.

  NOTICE: Only courses listed on Degree Plan can be paid.
- 3.) Conditional/Unconditional Acceptance Letter for Masters/Doctorate
- 4.) Grades for previous semester or high school transcript which ever was last attended
- 5.) Official Final billing (Charges due after final drop date and other scholarships/financial aid have been applied)
- 6.) Copy of Enrollment (List of Classes/Credit Hours) or Outline of Training Schedule

All documents must be in English and billing's in US currency. Grades, schedule and billing must contain the student's and school's information. The tribal scholarship award may be used for tuition/fees, on campus room/board, and books/supplies. Balance (up to scholarship maximum) may be used for a computer (Educ. Dept. purchases-up to \$900. One per lifetime) and/or transportation (\$50/ on-campus credit hour up to \$600). Tuition and fees- (a) Only one remedial class paid per subject area. (b) Entrance Exams and License/Certificate Renewals are not paid.

(c) Room and/or Board-Payable if billed thru the school. <u>Off –Campus Housing, up to \$200 per month paid if school housing unavailable.</u>
(d) Books Supplies--Books <u>required</u> for courses will be paid. Others paid as supplies. \$10 per cr. Hr. limit on supplies.

NOTE: Balance of scholarship maximum not used for allowable charges-- will not be awarded to student.

<b>Educational Program</b>	Credit	Scholarship Limits
	Hours	
Non-Credit	n/a	Up to maximum of \$1,000 per year. School must be approved by Education department as to
Classes/Workshops		accreditation and/ or being an acceptable vendor.
Vocational Training**	<mark>n/a</mark>	Limit of \$18,000 for one year or less and up to \$24,000 if training is up to two years.
Undergraduate***	1-11 .	\$330 per hour up to Maximum of Scholarship Award. Maximum pre-graduate awards is \$36000.
	12 hrs.	Up to \$4,000 per term/ semester
	13	Up to \$4165
	14	Up to \$4330
	15 +	Up to \$4500
Masters***		\$610 per credit hour up to \$5,500 maximum per term with Unconditional Acceptance.
		Paid at undergraduate rates with Conditional Acceptance* Student reimbursed at graduate rate
		once <u>Conditional Acceptance</u> is changed to <u>Unconditional Acceptance</u> . Limit of \$22,000.
Doctoral***		\$800 per credit hour; Up to \$8000 maximum per term with Unconditional Acceptance. Paid at
		Master's Degree rate if Conditionally Accepted & reimbursed at higher rate when Unconditionally
		Accepted. Limit of \$32,000.

Vocational Training: Credit hour or clock hour training taken at an <u>approved</u> vocational, trade or technical school(Determined by Education Department). Satisfactory Completion of six months to 1 year program will earn \$250. Satisfactory completion of two year program will earn \$500. Satisfactory Completion will mean 80% attendance and a minimum grade of C.

PLEASE NOTE; All college credits, On-Campus or Online, must be taken from a Regionally Accredited School. Courses and Degrees must be transferrable to other Regionally Accredited Schools. National Accreditation is not acceptable as courses or degrees most often will not transfer.

Satisfactory Achievement: Students must achieve a minimum GPA of at least 2.0 each term or be placed on probation for next term. A 2<sup>nd</sup> term of less than 2.0 GPA results in student being suspended until student completes a term(full time) of 2.0 GPA on their own.

Withdrawal(WD): Funding paid for classes withdrawn from after final drop date will be held out of next terms funding unless withdrawal was due to Extenuating Circumstance. Classes retaken due to failure or poor grades will not be paid unless due to Extenuating Circumstances.

Education Funding Not Available for 2<sup>nd</sup> Bachelor's, Master's or Doctorate if tribal funds were used to assist in all/part of first degree.

Tribal members completing a degree may pursue the next degree without interruption if desired.

Dual Enrolled High School Students: Funding available for core classes, i.e. Math, Science, Composition, History, Psychology. No electives. Graduation Award: A Bachelor's, Master's, or Doctorate Degree will earn student \$1000. An Associate Degree will earn student \$500.

Grade Incentive: Earning an "A" average(3.8-4.0) in 15 or more cr. hours with at least four courses of solids will earn an award of \$1000 and a "B" average(3.0-3.75), same criteria, will earn \$500. An "A" average (3.8-4.0) in at least 12 cr. hours of solids and at least three courses of solids will earn \$500. A "B" average (3.0-3.75) with same criteria will earn \$250 For Master's and Doctorate's, nine hours of solids will earn grade incentive of \$500 for A average and \$250 for B average. Twelve hours of solids earn \$1000 and \$500 for A and B average respectively.

Reimbursements: \* As of Fall, 2013, Application and documents for reimbursements must be submitted within 30 days from end of term.

Invoice or Receipt required for all reimbursements except for extenuating circumstances as determined by Education Director

<sup>\*\*</sup>Scholarship Suspended if: (1) False or misleading information is submitted or (2) if dually funded by another tribe.